NCC Minutes 09/19/05

Present: Alison Watts, Lindsay Carroll, Lauren Hill, Bobby Byrne, Ray Konisky, Dave Mason, Ray Labranche, Alt. Steve Shope, Selectman Janet Smith, Guest Speakers Mark West and Brian Hart

Open Meeting 7:05 p.m.

1.) Ongoing Business

- a.) Upcoming Expenses:
 - -Approx. \$25,000 for Prime Wetlands designation
 - -Piscassic Greenway legal fees \$10-20,000
 - -Have not received estimate for doing baseline property data- should set aside about \$10,000
- b.) Treasurer's Report-Note: Checking account has been moved from Fleet to Citizens Bank. Report read by D. Mason, motion to accept by A. Watts, Seconded by B. Byrnes, all in favor YES
- c.) Minutes from July- amended to read adjourn at 9:13 p.m.-motion to accept by D. Mason, seconded by A. Watts, all in favor YES
- d.) Minutes from Aug.- motion to accept by A. Watts, seconded by D. Mason, all in favor YES
- 2.) Mark West presents progress on Prime Wetlands Study
 - a.) Inventoried 45 wetlands in Newfields that were > 2 acres
 - b.) Aerial photos done 04/16/05- J. Stone than identified wetlands using flora and tabulated the square footage of each.
 - c.) Next phase is evaluation
 - -Need to choose parameters for designating
 - -What do we want for maps?
 - -Should consider how areas relate to wetlands in other towns
 - d.)Will submit proposal by Oct.,2005

3.) Brian Hart

- a.) Funding for Piscassic Greenway progressing- still need \$635,000 towards \$8,100,000 total
- b.) D. Mason makes a motion according to RSA 91-A:3 to go into non-public session at 8:34 p.m. Seconded by B. Byrne, all in favor Yes. A. Watts recused herself from the session.
 - 9:13 p.m.- D. Mason motions to keep non-public minutes sealed pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 and move into public session, seconded by B. Byrne all in favor YES.

4.) Other Business

a.) Prime Wetlands Proposal- Steve Shope applying for grant of \$10,000 from NH Est. Project-needs to be done by end of 2006.

- -Phase 1: Aerial Photos- done
- -Phase 2: Mapping- working on
- -Phase 3: Approval, etc. Proposal due end of 09/05

b.)Trail maintenance-Steve Shope

M. West has prepared proposal for 2 wetlands crossings on trails behind Conner property- one in Newfields, one in Exeter. Exeter CC needs letter from NCC saying these are acceptable. A. Watts motions to accept application and write the letter, seconded by B. Byrne, all in favor YES.

c.) Bills

- -NH Assoc. of Cons. Comm.= \$175.00. Motion to accept by A. Watts, seconded by L. Carroll, all in favor YES.
- -Fran Lane- bill not clear- Selectman need to review.
- -Mark West- not yet due
- d.) Planning Board meeting- Wetlands buffer zoning amendment
 - -A. Watts presented proposal for expanding buffer zones at last meeting increasing zone from 75 ft. to 100ft. for type A soils and from 50 ft. to 75 ft. for type B soils. Also proposed expanding restrictions from just building to any disturbance. Will be considered further.
- e.) Record Keeping- A. Watts investigating requirements- i.e. how far back do we need to go?
- f.) Correspondence
 - -GRANITE- seeking to update their data- R. Konisky to review
 - Walk through Piscassic Greenway 10/15/05, 8-10 a.m.- call K. Rubin
 - Protecting the Bay presentation at Sandy Point 9/22/05 @ 6p.m.
- g.) Next meeting- Oct. 17, 2005